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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
Filed on or after June 8, 1995.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>Application Number</i>	09/075,152
<i>Filing Date</i>	May 8, 1998
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Steven A. Morley
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	2611
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Rueben M. Brown
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	QCPA556

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 28, 2003
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
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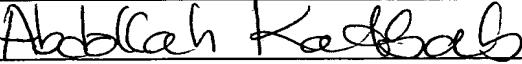
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- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. *(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)*
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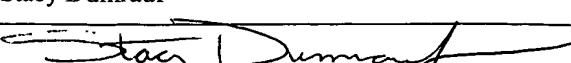
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